

EPA Listening Session Scheduled

Interested parties are being invited to attend a "Listening Session" on Wednesday, April 17, 2002 from 2:30pm to 4:00pm at the Indiana Government Center South Conference Center Auditorium located in downtown Indianapolis.

The session will be led by U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Region 5 staff and will focus on the federal brownfields legislation that was signed into law earlier this year. To aid in implementation of the new law, EPA is seeking feedback on areas of the law that can be interpreted.

The Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act reforms the major hindrance to brownfields cleanup -- the federal Superfund law. The act provides liability protection for prospective purchasers, contiguous property owners, and innocent landowners and authorizes increased funding for state and local programs that assess and clean up brownfields. You can review the brownfields act at www.epa.gov/brownfields/sblrbra.htm.

If you cannot attend but still would like to give your feedback, a call-in option is available at 10:00am on the same day. Only a limited number of ports are available. If you are interested in partipating in the conference call, please contact Tracy Concannon at (800) 451-6027, press 0 and ask for extension 3-2801, or (317) 233-2801 by April 10th to reserve a space.

A presentation is available for interested parties to review prior to the conference call and session.